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~~8~~. A spring cushion assembly according to claim 1, wherein the selected spring coils

comprise open upper and lower end turns.

Add the following new claims 18-39:

17 ~~17~~. (New) A spring cushion assembly comprising a plurality of spring coils aligned with one another in parallel linear spring coil rows and parallel linear spring coil columns perpendicular to the spring coil rows, each spring coil being of a configuration producing a tendency to incline laterally when compressed, each spring coil row and each spring coil column comprising spring coils oriented relative to one another to incline in opposing directions for counteracting the tendency of the spring coils to incline, a perimeter border wire disposed outwardly about the plurality of spring coils and connected to selected ones thereof, and a plurality of connector wires extending between selected adjacent rows or selected adjacent columns and connected to the spring coils thereof for integrating the pluralities of spring coils together.

18 ~~18~~. (New) A spring cushion assembly according to claim ~~18~~ <sup>17</sup>, wherein each spring coil comprises an upper end turn and a lower end turn, the upper end turns of the plurality of spring coils being essentially co-planar with one another and the lower end turns of the plurality of spring coils being essentially co-planar with one another, and further comprising upper and lower perimeter border wires respectively disposed outwardly about and connected to selected ones of the co-planar upper and lower end turns of the plurality of spring coils, and upper and lower connector wires extending between selected adjacent rows or selected adjacent columns and connected respectively to the upper and lower end turns of the spring coils thereof.